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TUBULAR MOTOR

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

The Office Action dated January 9, 2002, has been received and carefully reviewed. Please enter the attached Amendment in the above-identified patent application.

In the specification:

Replace the paragraph at page 2, lines 3-10 with the following paragraph:

In order to be able to resist these radial forces, the gear housing must have a commensurate wall thickness or be made of a material capable of compensating for the forces, such as metal. This results in the disadvantage that the gear housing cannot be dimensionally conceived as small as desired or that, due to the material used, is unnecessarily heavy. Accordingly, the objective of the present invention is to specify a tube motor with a reducing gear, which on the one hand can be installed in a simple manner and, on the other hand, can be designed so as to be very space-saving.

Replace the paragraph at page 5, lines 5-8 with the following paragraph:

In an especially advantageous embodiment form of the toothed wheel-work, two symmetrically arranged cogwheels are present, each of which has a second reducing stage and